

**PATENT**  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

TERRENCE A. TOMKOW, Ph.D.

Application No. 09/626,577

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
VERIFYING DELIVERY AND  
INTEGRITY OF ELECTRONIC  
MESSAGES

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**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

**PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING CLAIMS:**

84. A method of transmitting a message through the internet from a sender to a recipient through a server displaced from the recipient, including the steps at the server of:  
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receiving the message at the server from the sender,  
transmitting, through the internet from the server to an agent of the recipient, the message,  
5 an identification and an internet address of the server and the identity of the sender of the message,  
receiving from the agent at the server through the internet the identity of the agent and an indication of the receipt by the agent of the message and the identification and internet address of the server and the identify of the sender and the digital fingerprint of the message, and